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## Viewing cable 05NEWDELHI9245, INDIA FACES GROWING NAXALITE MENACE

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SUBJECT: INDIA FACES GROWING NAXALITE MENACE

REF: A. NEW DELHI 1274 B. CHENNAI 2761

Classified By: Political Counselor Geoff Pyatt, for Reasons 1.4 (B, D)

**1.** (C) Summary: Despite India's rapidly expanding economy, Naxalite groups in poor rural areas and their educated urban sympathizers continue Naxal Activity Spreading

**2.** (U) The Indian Home Ministry in its 2004-2005 Annual Report documented the spread and continued success of the Naxalite insurgency. According to the report, Naxalite activity has spread over a wider geographic area, the number of violent attacks has increased, and the number of Naxalite groups has grown. The report also noted that Naxalite activity has spread to new areas, including the states of Andhra Pradesh, Chhattisgarh, Jharkhand, and Madhya Pradesh. The report also noted that Naxalite activity has spread to new areas, including the states of Andhra Pradesh, Chhattisgarh, Jharkhand, and Madhya Pradesh. The report also noted that Naxalite activity has spread to new areas, including the states of Andhra Pradesh, Chhattisgarh, Jharkhand, and Madhya Pradesh.

Reasons for the Spread

**4.** (U) Aggressive counterinsurgency operations by State police forces, supplemented by 24 battalions of the CRPF deployed by New Delhi, have helped to contain Naxalite activity in some areas. However, in other areas, Naxalite activity has spread.

**5.** (C) Although Naxalites claim to represent the interests of India's oppressed Scheduled Castes (STs) and Schedule Tribes (STs), the leadership of the movement is dominated by a small group of individuals. New Delhi's Response

**6.** (U) The Home Ministry, frustrated by the inability of Naxalite affected states to mount a coordinated response, on September 19 called the states to meet in New Delhi to discuss the problem. An Opposition Viewpoint

**7.** (C) Telegu Desam MP M. Jagannath represents an AP constituency with a large ST population in which Naxalites are quite active. Although he has urged the GOI to tackle the Naxalite problem by providing employment and subsidized loans to poor SCs and STs and investing in infrastructure, he has also urged the GOI to take a hard line against Naxalites.

**8.** (C) Jagannath urged the GOI to tackle the Naxalite problem by providing employment and subsidized loans to poor SCs and STs and investing in infrastructure. The View from the Left

**9.** (C) Journalist and political activist AS Verma, himself a former Naxalite, told Poloff on December 2 that the GOI's September 19 meeting was a failure. Verma urged the GOI to differentiate between revolutionaries and terrorists. Terrorists, he emphasized, have no mass base, while Naxalites have a mass base.

**10.** (C) Verma urged Poloff not to take Naxalite assertions of eternal class war at face value. In his estimation, Naxalite violence is a barbaric and senseless act. Comment - Naxalism as Prelude to Bargaining

**12.** (C) Naxalites cannot overthrow the government of India, and are unlikely ever to control more than a few remote areas of the country. Li

**13.** (C) India's Naxalites are watching events in Nepal closely. Nepal is a small and largely homogeneous state, with an entrenched feudal class system. India's Naxalites are watching events in Nepal closely. Nepal is a small and largely homogeneous state, with an entrenched feudal class system.

**14.** (C) The Communist Party of India (Marxist) is India's leftist flagship and remains a committed enemy of the Naxalites. CPI(M) General Secretary Prakash Karve said that the CP is not interested in the Naxalite movement.

**15.** (C) Desperation often drives Naxalism. The onus is on the GOI to demonstrate to India's have-nots that it is crafting an economic development program that will benefit them.

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